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## **PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

**for the forty-fifth session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee  
to be held at IMO Headquarters, 4 Albert Embankment, London, SE1 7SR  
from Monday, 2 October to Friday, 6 October 2000**

**Session commences at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 2 October 2000**

Opening of the session

- 1 Adoption of the agenda
- 2 Harmful aquatic organisms in ballast water (WG)
- 3 Implementation of the OPRC Convention and the OPRC-HNS Protocol and relevant conference resolutions (WG)
- 4 Harmful effects of the use of anti-fouling paints for ships (WG)
- 5 Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments
- 6 Identification and protection of Special Areas and Particularly Sensitive Sea Areas (DG)
- 7 Interpretation and amendments of MARPOL 73/78 and related Codes (DG)
- 8 Prevention of air pollution from ships
- 9 Reports of sub-committees
- 10 Work of other bodies
- 11 Promotion of implementation and enforcement of MARPOL 73/78 and related Codes
- 12 INF Code related matters
- 13 Formal safety assessment including environmental indexing of ships
- 14 Matters related to the 1973 Intervention Protocol

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- 15 Technical co-operation programme
- 16 Application of the Committees' Guidelines
- 17 Work programme of the Committee and subsidiary bodies
- 18 Election of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman for 2001
- 19 Any other business
- 20 Consideration of the report of the Committee

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**Notes:**

1 In accordance with the revised Guidelines on the organization and method of work of the MSC and the MEPC and their subsidiary bodies (MSC/Circ.931/MEPC/Circ.366):

- .1 documents should be received in the Secretariat as follows:
  - (a) documents containing proposals for new work programme items by **12 May 2000**;
  - (b) documents (including information documents) containing more than 6 pages of text (bulky documents) by **30 June 2000**;
  - (c) non bulky documents, by **28 July 2000**; and
  - (d) documents commenting on those referred to in subparagraphs (a) and (b) above containing 4 pages or less, by **11 August 2000**. These documents should start with a paragraph clearly indicating the document on which comments are made and stating that the document is submitted in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 46.5 of the aforementioned Guidelines;
- .2 as a general rule, documents, other than information documents, as specified in subparagraphs .1(a) and (b) above, should not contain more than 50 pages. In the case of reports from working, drafting or correspondence groups and in other exceptional circumstances, this number of pages may be exceeded, provided that the appropriate deadline for receipt of the document by the Secretariat, is put back by one week for every 20 pages exceeding 50 pages;
- .3 for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing, be as concise as possible and:
  - (a) all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with appendix 5 of the above-mentioned Guidelines;
  - (b) substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action which the Committee is invited to take; and

- (c) information documents should conclude with a summary of the information contained therein; and

- .4 to facilitate their processing, documents should be accompanied by computer diskettes, preferably in Microsoft Word, where available. Documents may also be submitted via the Internet as text or in Microsoft Word to IMO's e-mail address (i.e. "info@imo.org"). In such cases, documents should be confirmed by hard copies to facilitate processing of the document, i.e. attachment of annexes to main texts, and to check that none of the text has been garbled during sending or conversion.

2 The Committee has recommended that the above provisions of the Guidelines, which, *inter alia*, provide that the Secretariat should strictly apply the rules concerning the submission of documents and not accept late submissions from Governments or delegations, should be strictly observed.

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